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SUBJECT: GERMANY H1N1 FLU UPDATE: 737 CONFIRMED CASES

REF: A) Berlin 839, B) Berlin 828 and previous.

[1](#)1. (SBU) SUMMARY: The number of H1N1 infections in Germany rose by 46 cases to a total of 737 on July 13. Majority of new infections occurred abroad. END SUMMARY.

[1](#)2. (SBU) The National Reference Center for Influenza at the Robert Koch Institute (RKI) announced in its press briefing July 13 a total of 46 new laboratory-confirmed cases of H1N1. This increases the total number of virus cases in Germany to [1](#)737. New cases were distributed among the federal states as follows: Lower-Saxony (16), Schleswig-Holstein (7), Bavaria (6), North Rhine-Westphalia (3), Baden-Wuerttemberg (3), Berlin (3), Rhineland-Palatinate (2), Hesse (2), Saxony (2), Bremen (1), and Saarland (1). RKI reports that 25 of the 46 newly confirmed virus cases occurred abroad, mainly from travel to Spain. In the majority of all cases, the course of the virus is reportedly mild.

[1](#)3. (SBU) North Rhine-Westphalia remains the state with the highest number of virus cases among all German states with a total of 318, followed by Baden-Wuerttemberg (97) and Bavaria (93 cases). Over half (402) of all confirmed infections in Germany have resulted from domestic transmission.

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